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NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION

FARGO, N.D. July 10, 2017 - For the week ending July 9, 2017, even though many areas of the State received rainfall, much more was needed to help both crops and livestock, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Despite some recent rain, most of North Dakota was experiencing drought conditions. Some producers in the west planned to bale wheat for livestock feed. Temperatures averaged two to six degrees above normal in the east, while the west averaged six to ten degrees above normal. There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 29 percent very short, 33 short, 36 adequate, and 2 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies rated 20 percent very short, 31 short, 47 adequate, and 2 surplus.

Field Crops Report: Corn condition rated 8 percent very poor, 12 poor, 28 fair, 49 good, and 3 excellent. Corn silking was 4 percent, behind 9 for the five-year average.

Soybean condition rated 6 percent very poor, 13 poor, 34 fair, 44 good, and 3 excellent. Soybeans blooming was 24 percent, well behind 48 last year, and behind 31 average. Setting pods was 1 percent, near 5 last year and 2 average.

Winter wheat condition rated 16 percent very poor, 25 poor, 26 fair, 32 good, and 1 excellent. Winter wheat headed was 95 percent. Coloring was 47 percent, behind 65 average. Mature was 24 percent.

Spring wheat condition rated 16 percent very poor, 19 poor, 29 fair, 32 good, and 4 excellent. Spring wheat jointed was 98 percent. Headed was 79 percent, behind 94 last year, but ahead of 72 average. Coloring was 10 percent, behind 23 last year.

Barley condition rated 11 percent very poor, 13 poor, 30 fair, 43 good, and 3 excellent. Barley jointed was 98 percent. Headed was 81 percent, behind 96 last year, but ahead of 71 average. Coloring was 9 percent, well behind 41 last year.

Oats condition rated 27 percent very poor, 25 poor, 29 fair, 18 good, and 1 excellent. Oats jointed was 98 percent, near 100 last year, but ahead of 93 average. Headed was 82 percent, behind 93 last year, but ahead of 72 average. Coloring was 21 percent, behind 34 last year, but ahead of 13 average.

Sunflowers condition rated 16 percent very poor, 23 poor, 35 fair, 25 good, and 1 excellent. Sunflowers blooming was 4 percent, behind 10 last year.

Dry edible beans condition rated 4 percent very poor, 10 poor, 19 fair, 56 good, and 11 excellent. Dry edible beans blooming was 10 percent, behind 28 last year and 22 average.

Durum wheat condition rated 9 percent very poor, 24 poor, 35 fair, 30 good, and 2 excellent. Durum wheat jointed was 97 percent. Headed was 53 percent, well behind 81 last year, but equal to 53 average. Coloring was 9 percent, near 6 average.

Canola condition rated 7 percent very poor, 15 poor, 36 fair, 41 good, and 1 excellent. Canola blooming was 82 percent, behind 93 last year, but near 80 average. Coloring was 8 percent, behind 18 last year.

Flaxseed condition rated 16 percent very poor, 21 poor, 33 fair, 29 good, and 1 excellent. Flaxseed blooming was 52 percent, well behind 76 last year, but near 49 average. Coloring was 7 percent.

Dry edible peas condition rated 9 percent very poor, 21 poor, 31 fair, 37 good, and 2 excellent. Dry edible peas blooming was 79 percent, behind 96 last year, but ahead of 74 average. Dropping leaves was 13 percent, near 11 last year.

Potato condition rated 4 percent very poor, 7 poor, 15 fair, 55 good, and 19 excellent. Potatoes blooming was 22 percent, well behind 72 last year and 49 average. Rows closed was 3 percent.

Alfalfa condition rated 45 percent very poor, 26 poor, 21 fair, 8 good, and 0 excellent. Alfalfa first cutting was 88 percent complete, near 91 last year, but ahead of 72 average. Second cutting was 6 percent, near 10 last year.

Sugarbeets condition rated 0 percent very poor, 2 poor, 15 fair, 63 good, and 20 excellent.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 39 percent very poor, 30 poor, 22 fair, 8 good, and 1 excellent.

Stock water supplies rated 22 percent very short, 30 short, 47 adequate, and 1 surplus.

Data for this news release were provided at the county level by USDA Farm Service Agency and NDSU Extension Service.

Access the National publication for Crop Progress and Condition tables at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProg/2010s/2017/CropProg-07-10-2017.pdf>

Access the High Plains Region Climate Center for Temperature and Precipitation Maps at:

<http://www.hprcc.unl.edu/maps.php?map=ACISClimateMaps>

Access the U.S. Drought Monitor at:

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